

Amendments to the Claims

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 - 5 (canceled).

Claim 6 (new). A method of configuring an automation installation, which comprises:

storing configuration data in a database by a provider; and

rendering the configuration data available from the database in form of a copy for acquisition by a buyer.

Claim 7 (new). The method according to claim 6, which comprises storing in the database a description associated with the configuration data and rendering the description available for acquisition by the buyer.

Claim 8 (new). The method according to claim 6, which comprises transferring a given value to the database by the buyer prior to acquiring a copy of the configuration data from the database.

Claim 9 (new). The method according to claim 6, which comprises transferring a given value to the provider for each copy of the configuration data acquired from the database.

Claim 10 (new). The method according to claim 6, wherein the database is connected to the Internet.